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INSTRUCTION MANUAL

Introduction

The Piko 55406 HO Scale Roadbed Straight Track is a high-quality track section designed for model railway enthusiasts. This track features an integrated roadbed for realistic appearance and ease of setup, and is specifically designed to accommodate a power clip for electrical connection to your model train layout. This manual provides essential information for the proper installation, use, and care of your Piko track.

Product Overview

The Piko 55406 track piece is a straight section of HO scale track with a pre-attached roadbed, simplifying track laying and enhancing realism. It includes a dedicated connection point for a Piko power clip (sold separately), allowing for easy integration into your electrical system.

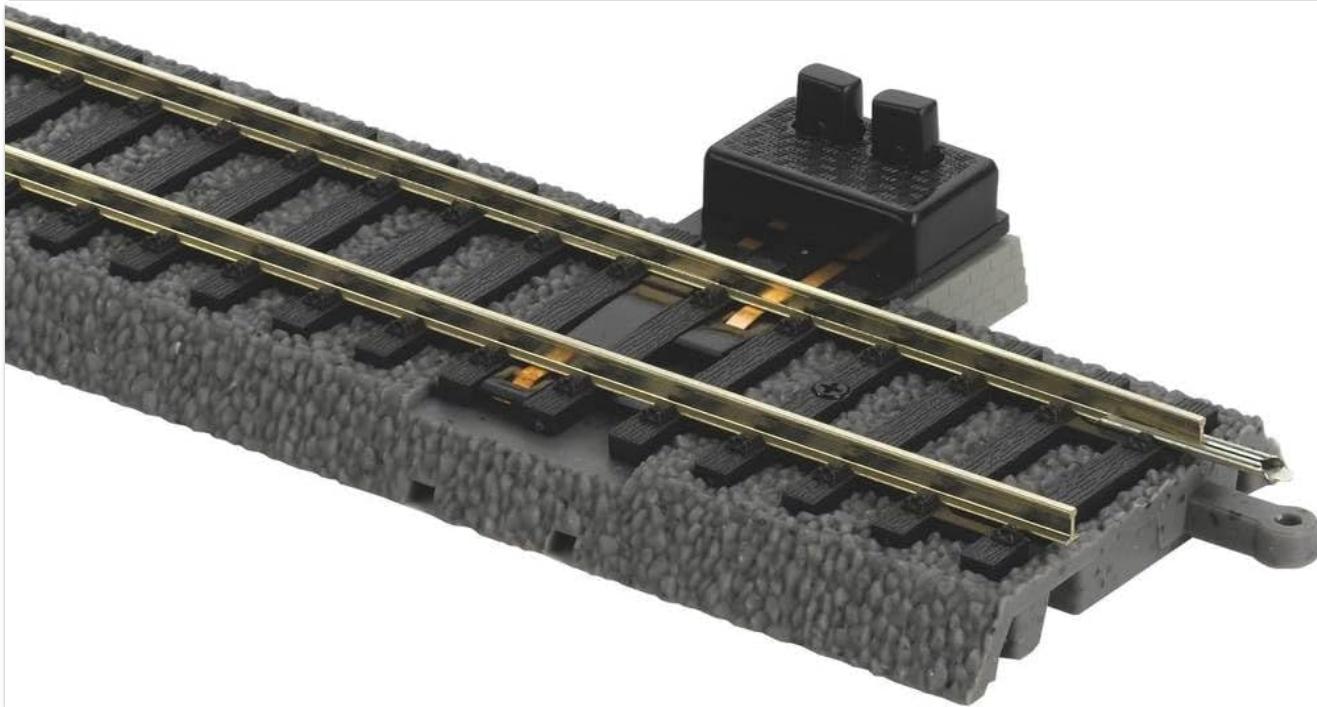


Image: A close-up view of the Piko 55406 HO Scale Roadbed Straight Track, showing the integrated roadbed, metal rails, and the black connection point designed for a power clip. The track features realistic detail and robust construction.

Key features of the Piko 55406 track include:

- **HO Scale:** Compatible with standard HO scale model trains and accessories.
- **Integrated Roadbed:** Provides a realistic ballast appearance and stable track foundation.
- **Power Clip Compatibility:** Designed for easy electrical connection using a Piko power clip.
- **Robust Materials:** Constructed for durability and reliable performance.
- **Realistic Detail:** Enhances the visual authenticity of your model railway layout.

Setup

Follow these steps to properly set up your Piko 55406 track section:

1. **Unpack:** Carefully remove the track section from its packaging. Inspect for any visible damage.
2. **Connect Track Sections:** Align the male and female connectors on the ends of the Piko track sections. Gently push them together until they are fully seated and form a continuous, level track.
3. **Locate Power Clip Connection:** Identify the designated black connection point on the side of the track section, specifically designed for the Piko power clip.
4. **Attach Power Clip:** Securely attach your Piko power clip (sold separately) to this connection point. Ensure the clip is firmly seated to establish a reliable electrical contact with the track rails.
5. **Integrate into Layout:** Position the assembled track sections on your model railway layout surface. Ensure the track is stable and level to prevent derailments.

Operating

Once the Piko 55406 track section is properly connected to your power supply via the power clip, it will conduct electricity to the rails. This allows your HO scale model trains to draw power and operate smoothly along the track. Ensure your power supply is compatible with HO scale requirements and that all connections are secure for consistent operation.

Maintenance

Regular maintenance will ensure the longevity and optimal performance of your Piko track:

- **Clean Rails:** Periodically clean the metal rails with a soft, lint-free cloth or a specialized track cleaning tool. Dust, dirt, and oxidation can impede electrical conductivity.
- **Inspect Connections:** Regularly check all track connections and the power clip connection to ensure they remain tight and secure. Loose connections can lead to intermittent power supply.
- **Dusting:** Use a soft brush or compressed air to remove dust and debris from the roadbed and sleepers.
- **Storage:** When not in use, store track sections in a dry, dust-free environment, away from direct sunlight and extreme temperatures. Original packaging is ideal for storage.

Troubleshooting

Here are some common issues and their solutions:

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
Train not receiving power on track section.	Loose power clip connection; dirty rails; power supply off.	Ensure power clip is firmly attached. Clean track rails. Verify power supply is on and functioning.

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
Track sections do not connect smoothly.	Misalignment of connectors; bent rail joiners.	Carefully align connectors before pushing. Gently straighten any bent rail joiners if necessary.
Train derails on track section.	Uneven track surface; damaged track.	Ensure track is laid on a flat, level surface. Inspect track for any damage or deformities.

Specifications

Detailed specifications for the Piko 55406 HO Scale Roadbed Straight Track:

Attribute	Value
Model Number	55406
Scale	HO Scale
Track Type	Straight Track with Integrated Roadbed
Compatibility	Piko A-Track system, Power Clip compatible
Item Weight	8.8 ounces
Manufacturer	Piko
Recommended Age	14 years and up

Warranty and Support

Piko products are manufactured to high quality standards. This product is covered by the manufacturer's standard warranty against defects in materials and workmanship. For specific warranty terms and conditions, please refer to the documentation provided with your purchase or visit the official Piko website.

For technical support, replacement parts, or any inquiries regarding your Piko 55406 track, please contact Piko customer service through their official website or authorized distributors. Provide your product model number (55406) when seeking assistance to ensure efficient service.